## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Richard ALLIROT	) Re: Preliminary Amendment
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For: "DESKTOP COMPUTER APPLIANCE"	) Date: July 17, 2003

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## Sir:

The above-identified application is a divisional of pending prior U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/782,720 filed on February 13, 2001. This paper is being filed as a Preliminary Amendment to the above-identified Application being filed concurrently herewith. Prior to the examination of the above-identified Application, it is respectfully requested that the amendments presented below be made to the Application. All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.